

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph at page 2, lines 19 through 24 with the following amended paragraph:

A typical communication on the web involves the web browser sending the web server a request for a specific web page, and the web server processing the request and sending a response in the form of a web page back to the web browser. The request and response are communicated using Hypertext Transfer Protocol (HTTP), the protocol of the web, with an underlying Transport Control Protocol / Internet Protocol (TCP/IP) connection to transfer the request and response.

Please replace the paragraph at page 10, lines 19 through 28 with the following amended paragraph:

This three-tier architecture of web browser client 104A, web server 188, and a business process server (object manager server 107) enables web server 188 to deal with serving web page requests and offloads business logic to other components of client/server system 100. It is important to note that the functionality provided by servers such as object manager server 107, communication server 109 and session mode communication server 110 can be implemented on one server computer system or distributed across two or more server computer systems. Furthermore, these servers can reside on the same computer system as web server 188, although large enterprises typically dedicate a particular computer system entirely to performing the functions of web server 188 and have many web servers such as web server 188.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 16, line 21 and ending on page 17, line 2 with the following amended paragraph:

In this example, the first name/value pair, ~~waitrequest~~ wait request parameter 212, indicates the command to be executed by web engine plug-in 185. The target parameter 214 indicates the target process 160, which corresponds to communication client service 160, from which an asynchronous message would be received. Java applet 116 has access to the target process information because the session corresponding to web browser client 104A is already established as a result of Set Up Communication Channels step 310 of Fig. 3. The Session_ID parameter 216 indicates the Session_ID of the session. Because a session is logically “dedicated” to serving a particular web browser client 104A, the Session_ID enables web server 188 to push an asynchronous message to the corresponding web browser client. Other embodiments of the invention may provide different parameters in the URL.